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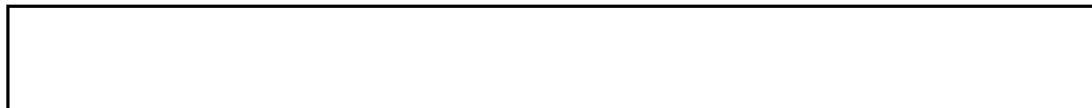
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PROBABLE PEI-AN ARSENAL NO. 626
PEI-AN, CHINA

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A search of the Pei-an area for Arsenal No. 626 revealed only one probable arsenal area. It is believed to be identical to the reported Pei-an Arsenal Communist 26th [redacted] and is located at coordinates 48 14 15N - 126 31 45E. The fact that many arsenals have identical characteristics and are similar to a wide range of basic non-military industries made the search difficult utilizing conventional photo techniques.

Many arsenals are difficult to detect unless the analyst is able to identify components of finished products in open storage as being military in nature. The arsenal is said to produce submachine guns, assault rifles and light arms.

It is situated in the northeast section of Pei-an, secured by a wire fence and is served by a rail spur that enters the plant from the north and separates within the eastern section. The rail spur extends through the northern sector of the plant and is utilized for shipping finished products and bringing in various raw materials.

On photography, dated [redacted] there are various small crates throughout the area in the shipping sector of the plant. From this photography no vehicles, railroad cars, or equipment were observed. A fairly constant level of steam and smoke from the steam plant, power plant and foundries were observed on photography from [redacted]

[redacted] respectively. Minor changes were observed on this photography in the raw material storage area, but it is impossible to estimate the fluctuation due to poor photographic coverage.

The city of Pei-an (Figure No. 1), and an enlargement of the probable Arsenal No. 626 with overlay showing functional areas (Figure No. 2).

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MAJOR FUNCTIONAL AREAS

- A - Revetted Storage Areas
- B - Sub-assembly/Assembly
- C - Forge/Foundries
- D - Unidentified Heat Processing
- E - Storage and Support
- F - Known Distance, Sub-caliber Firing Range
- G - Administration
- H - Shipping Area
- I - Probable Steam Plant
- J - Unknown
- K - Raw Materials
- L - Water Tower
- M - Power Plant

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